

MOUTRIE'S
HAVE
NEW VICTOR
RECORDS

The China Mail.

ESTABLISHED 1845

September 2, 1921 Temperature 79

Barometer 29.80

Rainfall 0.02 inch

Humidity 85

September 2, 1920, Temperature 80

FOLLOW
THE
ARROW
STOP
AT
ULLMANN'S.

No. 1855

五拜禮

號九月九年一十二百九千一英

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1921

日八初月八酉辛大歲年十國民華中

PRICE \$3.00 Per Month

BUSINESS & ADVERTISING



VICTOR RECORDS

BIG SHIPMENT JUST RECEIVED
COMPLETE CATALOGUE
IS NOW READY

S. MOUTRIE & Co., Ltd.

Sole Victor Distributors
CHATER ROAD.

DRAGON MOTOR CAR CO., LTD.
(THE EUROPEAN GARAGE)

Open and Closed

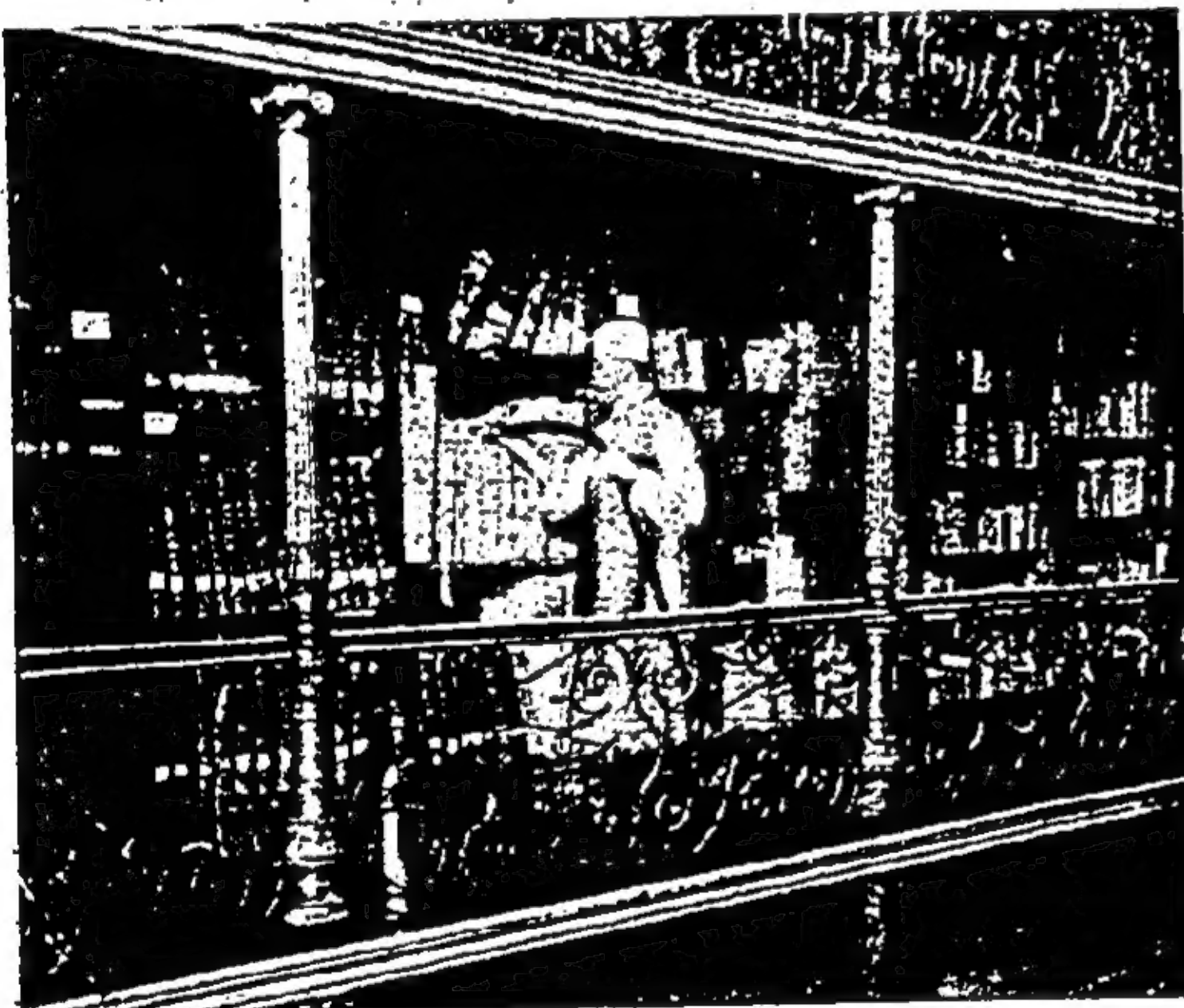
CARS FOR HIRE

TEL. 482. 3552 in Hongkong and Kowloon. TEL. 3552

ESTABLISHED 1900.
TELEPHONE 2343.

TAILORING

DISS BROS.
ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS



THE PORTABLE ELECTRIC VACUUM CLEANER
"NIPFISK"

SUITABLE FOR ALL PURPOSES.
STOCKS CARRIED, INSPECTION INVITED.

SOLE AGENTS:

THE DANISH CHINESE COMMERCIAL CO., LTD.
1A, CHATER ROAD.

C. E. WARREN & CO., LTD.
30, 32 DES VOEUX ROAD, HONGKONG.
BRANCHES AT CANTON & MACAO.

The leading house in the Colony for Building & Sanitary Supplies.

COOKING RANGES:

"Dover" No. 6, 7, 8 and 9.
"Skotsvæde" No. 7.
"Vaporons" one size only.
"American Stoves" with side boiler.
"Durbanium" Extra large size.

Suitable for hotel, restaurants and boarding houses.

DONNELLY & WHYTE.

WINE MERCHANTS.

Tel. 636.

Tel. 636.

GUERLAIN'S

APRES L'ONDEE

and

LADIES IN ALL CLIMATES

REFINED
FACE POWDERS

J. ULLMANN & CO.
HONGKONG

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

LABOUR DEMANDS ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION.

MINERS' WEAPON AGAINST WAR.

LONDON, September 8.

The Trade Union Congress passed a resolution moved by Mr. Thomas M.P., declaring the disarmament conference unsatisfactory unless labour was adequately represented; claiming that the Congress was entitled to appoint representatives; protesting against the British Government's "extensive armaments programme"; and asking for the suspension of all war preparations at least till the disarmament conference has finished its work.

JAPAN TREATY AGAIN.

LATER.

Mr. Thomas, in moving the disarmament conference resolution at Cardiff said that the British delegates must go to Washington free and unfettered, and as evidence of good faith say that Britain should not proceed with building the four battleships laid down this year. Mr. Thomas asked against whom these ships were being built. He said that the Anglo-Japanese Treaty caused more friction in America than anything else. The American people rightly said that if we are bound to take sides with Japan it could only be against America.

Mr. Smillie, supporting the resolution, said that the Miners' Federation had decided that in the event of the threat of international war an international miners' conference would be convened and the miners of all nations would cease work immediately.

QUESTION OF PRELIMINARY CONVERSATIONS.

LONDON, September 8.

Reuter learns that although the British Government will welcome any proposal to hold preliminary conversations in London prior to the Washington conference it has not been approached regarding the matter. Since the British proposal to hold such conversations was withdrawn two months ago nothing has been done, as it was understood that the United States Government was making all arrangements.

HOME CRICKET.

ENGLAND'S FAIR SCORE AGAINST AUSTRALIANS.

LONDON, September 8.

The Scarborough festival jubilee was celebrated in perfect weather. There was a record crowd, numbering ten thousand. The wicket was hard and fast. Douglas won the toss and the Englishmen batting first made 280 in 243 minutes. Sandham with attractive play compiled 56, and Douglas with careful cricket 61. Woolley made 41. McDonald took three wickets for 99, Mailey three for 91, and Hendry three for 45. The Australians made 30 for the loss of no wickets.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

SOVEREIGN STATES MUST AWAIT THE LEAGUE'S PLEASURE.

GENEVA, September 8.

The amendments commission of the League of Nations has rejected the Argentine amendment for the immediate admission of all sovereign states.

DUTCH NAVY.

CONSIDERABLE INCREASE PROJECTED.

LONDON, September 8.

An Amsterdam telegram states that it is understood the Government intends to submit to the Second Chamber in October a Bill providing for a considerable increase in the Dutch fleet.

HOME TRADE STILL DEPRESSED.

AUGUST FIGURES SHOW BIG DECREASES.

LONDON, September 8.

The Board of Trade returns for August show imports valued at £88,500,000 compared with £153,000,000 for the corresponding month last year, and exports valued at £51,000,000 compared with £115,000,000. The largest decrease in imports is in raw materials and unmanufactured articles. The reduction in exports is almost wholly in manufactured articles.

AUSTRIA AND HUNGARY.

HUNGARIAN COUP.

VIENNA, September 9.

A semi-official message declares that the Austro-Hungarian situation has taken a serious turn, in consequence of the Hungarian insurgents capturing Agendorf and threatening Mattersdorf, the temporary seat of the Austrian government. The latter has now withdrawn to Wiener-neustadt.

FRENCH "BLUEBEARD"

TRIAL IN NOVEMBER.

ON EXCELLENT TERMS WITH JAILERS.

It has been decided that Landru, the French "Bluebeard" as he is commonly known, who is charged with the murder of twelve women, is to appear next November at the Autumn Assizes at Versailles. He has already appeared twice on the ground of irregular procedure in regard to his arrest, but these appeals have been dismissed both by the Courts at Paris and Rouen. Landru was arrested on April 12, 1919, and will thus have been incarcerated for more than two and a half years when his trial takes place.

He is said to be in the best of health and spirits, and is on excellent terms with his jailers. The other day he remarked that prison was the coolest and most peaceful place imaginable this sultry weather.

Mr. Justice Eve authorised the payment to Sir T. Beecham of an allowance of £20,000 a year out of the "wreck of a guinea" business. His counsel mentioned that the bankrupt had been in monetary difficulties ever since the death of his father, by reason of the fact that he had spent a fortune in advancing music in England. Mr. Justice Eve's somewhat astonishing remark on that was: "And what good does that ever do anybody?"

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/8 5/8
To-day's opening rate 2/8 5/8

CHINA'S CIVIL WARS.

A DREADFUL SACRIFICE.

WU PEI-FU'S RUTHLESSNESS.

With regard to the breaking down of the embankment above Kingkow on August 17 the native press at Hankow publishes the following graphic account, which we have reason to believe is substantially correct. "On August 17 the Chihli and Hunan troops were engaged in battle at Paichow until sunset. Owing to the fire from the naval squadron the Hunanese could not resist and retreated for four or five li. At this point General Wu Pei-fu himself went on shore from one of the gunboats and, seeing the trend of the battlefield, at once decided to break down the embankment and flood the southern men out. He therefore gave orders to his men to commence digging into the embankment.

"Hearing of this dread order, the farmers in the neighbourhood came before the general and falling upon their knees begged him to desist and spare their lives. General Wu, however, turned a deaf ear to their supplications and the digging was continued. The embankment was very stout and only two small holes were made in it, but through these the water swelled into the land behind from ten to 4,000 feet in extent. North from Kingkow, south from Wulinteng and east to Arlanhu the flood spread, covering in all more than 100 li of land with water. No such tragedy as this had been seen since the Chi-Yao year of the Tao Kwang Emperor in the Ching Dynasty.

DEATH OF THE INNOCENTS. When it became known that the embankment was broken the farmers, bringing their young and their aged with them, ran to find refuge; but so rapid was the inundation that they could find none save along those portions of the embankment which were still standing. Now at this time the sun had gone down and the moon was just rising; and therefore the Chihli troops could not well distinguish who were the throngs assembling on the south side of the embankment, and, suspecting the refugees to be southern soldiers, they opened fire upon them. At the same time the Hunan troops likewise suspected the crowds gathered on the northern portion of the embankment to be Chihli soldiers and they also turned their rifle fire upon these unfortunates. Thus, in this sorry manner, more than 2,000 innocent people were killed by the callous guns, while of those who were drowned the number is not smaller than 1,000. All buildings in the vicinity of the embankment were destroyed, while the cattle, autumn crops, and all the wheat that had been reaped, were washed away by the water.

"The people who remain alive in these districts now weep bitterly and murmur that Wu Pei-fu is but the same or worse than his predecessors despite his celebrated reputation among the northern militarists." C. C. Press.

MADE IN GERMANY

COCAINE BOUGHT LOCALLY
GETS MAN JAIL.

Revenue officers yesterday afternoon searched the luggage on a Chinese on the Kinsan wharf as he was boarding a sampan to go on board the s.s. "Namsang." They seized 10 ounces of hydrochlorate cocaine. When the man was charged before Magistrate Orme this morning, Chief Preventive Officer Watt said that the drug was sufficient to make 17,500 official doses. The Government valuation was \$7 an ounce. According to a statement the defendant made to the witness after his arrest, he had bought the drug here for \$23.50 an ounce, and could get 100 rupees an ounce for the drug in Calcutta. The drug was made in Germany, and must have either been smuggled into the Colony, or imported before the war.

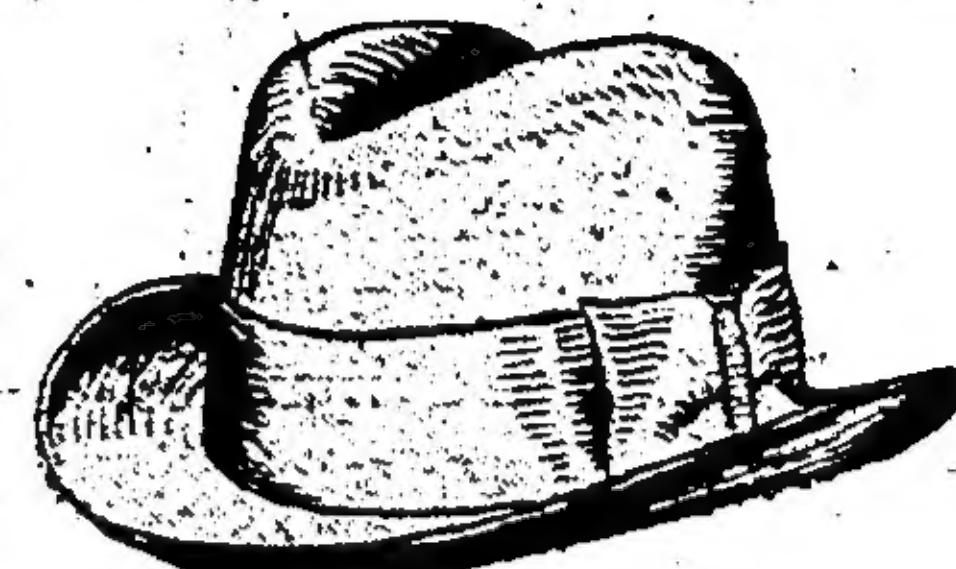
Sentence of three months' hard labour without the option of a fine was passed.

Two hundred cement lamp posts will shortly be erected in the thoroughfares of Canton. In order to meet the estimated cost of \$20,000 exclusive advertising concessions have been given to a certain company.

BUSINESS NOTICES

HATS

for
All Occasions.



Our Store is proud of the splendid variety of Hats now unpacked and ready for your inspection. New shapes in Felt Hats, Velours and Straw Hats. At reasonable prices.

MACKINTOSH

& CO., LTD.

Men's Wear Specialists.

16, Des Voeux Road.

Telephone 28.

HAVE ALL YOUR
PRESCRIPTIONS DISPENSED
QUICKLY AND ACCURATELY

WITH
DRUGS OF THE BEST QUALITY

AT
THE PHARMACY

FLETCHER & CO., LTD., 22, QUEEN'S ROAD,
AND REMEMBER YOUR PRESCRIPTIONS ARE
DISPENSED PERSONALLY

BY
FULLY QUALIFIED EUROPEAN CHEMISTS.

DANIEL CRAWFORD'S
FINEST VERY OLD

RED STAR

SCOTCH WHISKY

DISTILLED IN SCOTLAND AND ONLY GENUINE WHEN SIGNED

Daniel Crawford & Son Ltd.
Glasgow.

MUMEYA & SANO

NOEMAL ARTIFICIAL LIGHT STUDIO.

Studio reopened at 38-40, Queen's Rd. C. (opposite Hongkong Theatre) photo taken Day and Night using 5,000, c.p. light. Film Printing and Developing undertaken. Special attention to Home portraits.

Telephone 354.

ROUYER, GUILLET & CIE.
COGNAC.

SOLE AGENTS:

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO., LTD.
15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL
TEL. 75.

JUST RECEIVED

A LARGE CONSIGNMENT OF

KODAKS

FILMS & ACCESSORIES

ALSO

DEVELOPING & PRINTING

BY EXPERTS

WITH

PROMPT SERVICE

AT

THE WING ON CO., LTD

UNIVERSAL PROVIDERS

Phone 196

Phone 196

Hughes & Hough

COAL CONTRACTORS
General Brokers.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THIS Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (for account of the concerned),

on

MONDAY,
September 12, 1921, at 10.30 a.m.,
at No. 1, Austin Ave., Kowloon.
Valuable Household Furniture,
therein contained.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms—Cash on delivery.
On view Sunday.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, September 6, 1921.

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

CHINESE LANGUAGE SCHOOL.

THE LANGUAGE SCHOOL RE-OPENS and a BEGINNERS' CLASS will be started on MONDAY, September 12th, at 4.15 p.m. at the Chinese Language School, junction of Zeland Street and Lee House Street, (Masonic Hall Premises).
Intending Students are requested to send in their names to the undersigned for enrolment.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, September 6, 1921.

FIRST LUTRUM HOLLAND CLUB.

THE COMMITTEE of the HOLLAND CLUB, with reference to the Special Resolution passed and confirmed at EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS of the above Company held on the 13th and 14th days of August 1921, regarding the division of the above Company's share capital from shares of the denomination of \$50 each into shares of the denomination of \$10 each, in order to enable such Special Resolutions to be carried into effect, it is necessary that shareholders should forthwith forward to the undersigned the Share Certificates in respect of their respective holdings of shares in the Company in exchange whereof the undersigned will, upon receipt of such Share Certificates, forward to the respective holders thereof written acknowledgments of the receipt thereof.

When the new Certificates in respect of the division of the shares into shares of the denomination of \$10 each are ready, Notice thereof will be given to shareholders and such new Certificates will be obtainable by shareholders upon application to the undersigned at the Company's Registered Office in the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Victoria Hongkong, in exchange for the above mentioned acknowledgments.

Dated this Seventh day of September, 1921.

For THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

H. N. BEAUPREIRE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, September 7, 1921.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HONGKONG DOLLAR DIRECTORY has been acquired, as from July 7th, 1921, by the undersigned with all rights and titles, and will hereafter be published by them. No claims against the Hongkong Dollar Directory incurred prior to this date will be admitted by the undersigned.

THE NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE LTD.

5, Wyndham Street.
Hongkong, July 7, 1921.

KEATING'S

WORM

TABLETS.

Prepared by THOMAS KEATING, London.

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

A **INTERIM DIVIDEND** of Fifty cents (50 cents) per Share has been declared for the half year ending 30th June, 1921.

Such Interim Dividend will be payable on an after FRIDAY, the 9th September, at the Offices of the Company, where shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from the 30th August, 1921, until the 9th September, 1921, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, August 23, 1921.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

A **INTERIM DIVIDEND** OF ONE DOLLAR (\$1-) per share for account 1921 will be payable on MONDAY, the 19th September, 1921. Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, St. George's Building, Hongkong.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 10th September, 1921, to MONDAY, the 19th September, 1921, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, September 3, 1921.

OIL PLANTS & LIGHTER FOR SALE.

TENDERS are invited for the purchase of 4 V. D. ANDERSON MOTOR DRIVEN EXPELLER OIL PLANTS and other accessories complete, also one wooden lighter "WOLFE" equipped with oil tanks, carrying capacity about 125 tons more or less.

Tenders must be sent in sealed envelopes marked on the outside Tender for "Oil Plant" or "Wooden Lighter" as the case may be and must be addressed to the undersigned before the 14th day of September 1921. The Special Manager does not bind himself to accept the highest or the lowest tender.

The undersigned does not warrant or guarantee the above description in any way, but inspection and details concerning the Oil Plant & Lighter will be given to bona fide purchasers on application at the undermentioned address—

E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Special Manager.
BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE DE CHINE,
5, Charter Road.
Hongkong, September 7, 1921.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

THE COMMITTEE of the Kowloon Residents' Association respectfully urge the members of their Association to sign the petition now being circulated for popular representation in the Government of the Colony.

Kowloon, September 7, 1921.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE

THE FIRST YEARLY DRAWING of TWENTY DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club, (1920 issue, \$500 each) was held in the Club House on THURSDAY, the 8th September, 1921, when the following Debentures were drawn for Redemption—

| | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|
| 28 | 100 | 412 | 603 |
| 48 | 139 | 487 | 635 |
| 68 | 172 | 495 | 712 |
| 79 | 285 | 552 | 805 |
| 80 | 354 | 601 | 820 |

and will be payable at the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation on FRIDAY, the 30th September, 1921, in exchange for surrender of same.

By Order,
A. H. ABRAHAM,
Secretary.
Hongkong, September 8, 1921.

G. R.

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 14th day of September, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Taitam Bay in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| No. of Lots | Boundary Measurement | Area | Annual Rent |
|-------------|----------------------|----------|-------------|
| 1 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 2 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 3 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 4 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 5 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 6 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 7 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 8 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 9 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |
| 10 | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre | 1/2 Acre |

WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

25 WORDS 3 INSERTIONS.
\$1. PREPAID.
Every additional word 4 Cents for 3 insertions.

TO LET.

TO LET.—GODOWN at Yau-mat. For particulars apply to THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMATION CO., Ltd.

TO LET.—EUROPEAN FLAT, in Jordan Road, Kowloon, moderate rent. Apply Box 1321, c/o THE "CHINA MAIL" Office.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—ONE or TWO LOTS of LAND, in Jordan Road, Kowloon, about seven minutes by Kowloon Ferry. For plan & further particulars apply Box 1328, c/o "China Mail."

ASYLUM HORRORS

DOCTOR'S INDICTMENT AGAINST LUNACY SYSTEM.

There has been discernible during the past three or four years a tendency to criticise the system on which our lunatic asylums are conducted, writes the medical correspondent of the Times. This criticism began during the war, when conditions were admittedly difficult and when many of the medical officers specially devoted to this work were on service. Consequently it was but fair to ask that final judgments should be suspended until normal conditions had again been restored.

Suspension of judgment cannot however, be deferred much longer, and if even a part of the book which has just been published by Dr. Montagu Lomax is to be accepted as affording an exact picture of life in asylums, it cannot be deferred at all. For this description, entitled The Experiences of an Asylum Doctor is nothing more nor less than an indictment. The whole asylum system is called in question; it is condemned not on grounds of inefficient working or badly adjusted detail, but on the larger ground of humanity. It is not an exaggeration to say that many of the pictures painted of petty tyranny and soulless discipline are calculated to fill the reader with horror.

Patients, Dr. Lomax says, are frequently put "behind the table" and made to sit with their backs to the wall, so that they may be more closely watched. There are men marked "S.S." or "special suicidal." He goes on—

"Of all forms of restraint, this of being put 'behind the table' is resented more than any other by patients of every degree and type of insanity, except those who are past all feeling of resentment whatsoever, and who are reduced mentally to the condition of brute beasts."

Let the reader try to picture the scene. Here, perhaps, are a dozen or more of the worst cases in the ward. Behind the table they sit all day with their backs to the wall. In front of them is an attendant always on duty. They have no amusement, no exercise, no employment.

The speech of these patients is often obscene and blasphemous, their habits quarrelsome and filthy, their persons dirty and malodorous. . . . Bestialized, apathetic, malicious, greedy, malevolent—often quarrelling fiercely with each other, at meal times snatching away each other's food—they sit all day in their miserable corner, at once the most degrading and the most degrading example of our 'human and scientific' treatment of the pauper lunatic."

SEARCHING INQUIRY NEEDED.

This is sufficiently horrible. How far it represents a general state of affairs cannot be decided offhand, though the writer knows of asylums where such scenes are not witnessed. In any case it cannot be allowed to pass without searching inquiry.

Perhaps Dr. Lomax is on more important ground when he calls attention to the fundamental weakness of our lunacy system—the medical superintendent of the asylum. The fault is not with the man, but with his position. For he is forced to be an administrator instead of a doctor. The consequence is that the progress of medicine in asylums is, generally speaking, very poor. It seems to be nobody's business (though there are notable exceptions) to regard mental afflictions as diseases which may be amenable to treatment and to study them from this point of view.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

SHIPPING AND ENGINEERING EXHIBITION.

LONDON, September 8th.
At the opening ceremony of the Shipping and Engineering Exhibition, at Olympia, Sir Trevor Lawson, Chairman of Vickers, paid a tribute to the industry and enterprise of Germany, from whom he had just returned. He declared that the engineering and electrical works there were hives of industry, perfectly equipped. The output was high, and labour was working harmoniously on wages of 4 marks an hour, namely, at the present rate of exchange, of 3d. an hour, as compared with 1s. 6d. an hour which similar workers received in England.

RIOTS IN BAVARIA.

PARIS, September 8th.
A message from Mayence says that serious rioting has taken place in Spire (Bavaria) on the occasion of workmen's demonstration, in connection with the murder of Erzberger. The Government officers have been partly demolished. Numerous arrests were made. Workmen struck to obtain the release of those imprisoned. They stormed Government offices, and the police had to open fire. One workman was killed, and many were wounded.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

OTTAWA, September 8th.
The Arbitration Board, appointed by the Government to determine the value of Preferred and Common Stock of the Grand Trunk Railway, recently notified by the Government—has decided that the stock is valueless.

INDIAN BOYCOTT.

CALCUTTA, September 8th.
Mr. Gandhi, in pursuance of his foreign cloth boycott, met a number of cloth dealers.

It is understood that some of them requested six months' time in which to dispose of their stocks of foreign cloth, after which period, they said, they would not deal in such cloth.

The Marwari Chamber of Commerce has passed a resolution in favour of not purchasing further foreign cloth until December 31st, in order to steady the market and help to deplete the accumulated stocks and thereby to create a healthy atmosphere for future operations.

FALL OF ANGORA.

LONDON, September 8th.
The Smyrna report of the capture of Angora is still unconfirmed.

The latest Greek communiqué from Athens, of September 5th, says that the Greek left wing is engaged in sectional fighting. Aeroplanes bombed the Angora railway station.

THE IRISH CRISIS.

LONDON, September 8th.
Although no talking is given officially as regards the Premier's reply to Mr. de Valera, several morning papers state that the Prime Minister is engaged in sectional fighting. Aeroplanes bombed the Angora railway station.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

LONDON, September 8th.
The Times understands that the work of drawing up the Washington Conference agenda has advanced sufficiently to permit informal conversations regarding the exact definition of limitation of armaments and of the subjects for discussion. Consequently, preliminary conversations are to be held in London immediately.

CHEMICAL DISARMAMENT.

NEW YORK, September 8th.
The opening session of the American Chemical Society was attended by many distinguished British scientists. A resolution was passed urging the Disarmament Conference seriously to consider the question of chemical disarmament, as affected by the development and maintenance of the chemical industries of several nations.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

GENEVA, September 8th.
Besides the Upper Silesian problem, on which a committee is working secretly, the Assembly of the League is confronted with three territorial quarrels among its members; namely, the disagreement between the Poles and the Lithuanians as regards the possession of Vilna; the quarrel between Albania, Greece and Serbia as regards the Southern Albanian frontier; and Bolivia's application for the revision of her 1904 treaty with Chile.

The Armaments Commission has agreed to the proposal of Lord Robert Cecil for the utmost publicity at the meetings of the commission.

M. Viviani, in a statement regarding the Commission's work, said that enquiries made regarding the possibility of limiting national expenditure on armaments were inconclusive. Most of the countries interrogated insisted on the uncertainty of the political situation.

TOWN ARIZALE.

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL (NOVA SCOTIA), September 8th.
A fire, which, it is believed, was started by a cigarette carelessly thrown down, has destroyed about one third of the town, doing damage to the extent of several hundred thousand dollars. A number of people are homeless.

FRENCH TRADE.

PARIS, September 7th.
In an interview with a representative of L'Echo de Paris, the Minister of Commerce, M. Dier, stated that general business recovery is to be expected before the winter. Stocks are getting depleted, and orders are increasing numerously. The export business is improving steadily. The Government's timely measures to help shippers are bearing fruit. The economic situation would steadily revert to normal, should Germany keep meeting her obligations punctually—Havas.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

COTTON MARKET.

NEW YORK, September 7th.
Cotton again opened wild, at 130 to 130 points higher but later collapsed. The decline reached the two hundred point limit, and the market closed weak.

GENTLEMEN V. PLAYERS.

LONDON, September 7th.
Playing against the Gentlemen, at Scarborough, the players scored 193 in their first innings.

FAMINE IN RUSSIA.

LONDON, September 8th.
Loaded with 600 tons of food-stuffs for the starving children, also with cotton waste and oil for the purpose of facilitating the running of food trains, a steamer, yesterday, left Millwall en route for Russia, under the auspices of Save The Children Fund.

FEWER BABIES DYING.

HEALTH OF PEOPLE STEADILY IMPROVING.

The medical history of the year reveals no alarming epidemic nor any decline from that steady improvement which the health of the people indisputably shows," states Sir George Newman, Chief Medical Officer of the Ministry of Health, in his annual report.

The report emphasises the need for strict economy. "Every pound expended on our medical services must be made to yield the full value of a pound."

During 1920 there was a substantial rise in the birth-rate, which reached 25.4 as compared with 18.5 in 1919, while the death-rate shows a steady decline at most ages. The infant mortality rate (50 per 1,000 births) is the lowest ever recorded. At least one-sixth of the total babies born come directly under the supervision of doctor and nurse in addition to a much larger number visited at the homes.

Expenditure on sickness and disablement benefit denote that the time lost from employment amounts to 270,000 years a year for the insured population alone.

In Great Britain 890 cases of "sleepy sickness" (encephalitis lethargica) were notified during 1920, as against 541 in the previous year. "Tuberculosis remains one of the formidable enemies of the race." This section of the report concludes: "There is no beaten track in the further conquest of tuberculosis. Only by co-ordinated action along various paths and by all concerned can tuberculosis be successfully overcome."

YACHT'S 4,000 MILES.

21-TONNER'S VOYAGE ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.

A remarkable voyage of 4,000 miles across the Atlantic has ended with the arrival at Cowes of the American schooner rigged yacht "Diablosse." The vessel is only 39ft. long on the water-line and of 21 tons displacement, and the voyage from New London, in the United States, was accomplished in 33 days.

The party on board consisted of Mr. John B. Kelly, New York, his wife, a guest, Mr. Egmont Arens, of New York, and a young Dane named Oppler, who was navigator. "Except for gales, which were encountered during the first ten days, and a flat calm when about 300 miles off the west coast of Ireland, everything went well."

FOR SALE.

New and Used.
HARDLEY DAVIDSON'S.
INDIANS.
HENDERSONS.
WOLFE.
and SMITH.
MOTOR CYCLES.
REEVES & CO.,
105 114, Woo-Sung Street,
Kowloon.

EAGLE BRAND

SILK SOCKS AND STOCKINGS

(Registered Trade Mark)

LAI CHING KNITTING FACTORY,
2, Kai Yin Fong, Hongkong.
Tel. 3164.

MESSAGE.

Mr. HONDA and Mrs. HONDA.
14 years' experience.
No. 24, Wyndham Street,
(Opposite to the China Mail).

HOME TRADE

MANCHESTER WEEKLY MARKET REPORT.

Messrs. James F. Hutton and Co., Ltd., Manchester, reported as follows on August 3.—

Cotton prices were steadier until the Washington Bureau issued their usual monthly estimates of the growing American crop. These proved to be much lower than expected and immediately led to heavy covering and a sharp and rather excited advance of 70 to 80 points in New York. The average condition of the crop on July 25 is a very low one, namely 64.7 against 69.2 last month and a ten year average of 75.4. The coming crop is now estimated at 8,203,000 bales against a forecast of 8,433,000 bales a month ago. It is not easy to account for such a rapid rise on these figures and it certainly seems doubtful that it could be maintained on these grounds alone in view of the estimated world's carry over. This is estimated by Mr. Hester, of the New Orleans Exchange, to be 9,194,000 bales against 6,686,000 last year, so that there appears to be no possibility of a shortage during the present season, in spite of the reduced crop. Liverpool spot sales again show a reduction on the previous week. There has been no renewal of activity in our market, the contraction of business being, if anything, rather more marked than we last reported. The requiring very small indeed and the general quietness has not been without effect on spinners and manufacturers, who are neither so firm nor so optimistic as has lately been the case. Federation Spinners of American yarns have now followed the action of Egyptian Spinners in the decision to allow their Members to work for time again. This is good testimony of the outlook being regarded more hopefully, but it has at the same time the effect of increasing competition whilst there is not sufficient business to go round, and consequently tends to weaken values. The last advance in yarn and cloth prices has in fact been lost owing to this factor coming into work at the same time as the general falling of demand. India has bought practically nothing in spite of improved reports of the Monsoon. China also has been quiet. Java and Singapore have purchased small miscellaneous lots and South America has done a little. Silver is again firm owing to purchases, chiefly by India, and small supplies.

TREATMENT FOR DYSENTERY

CHAMBERLAIN'S Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy follows a dose of castor oil will effectively cure the most stubborn cases of dysentery. It is especially good for summer diarrhoea in children. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

MARKET PRODUCE IN HONGKONG.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

September 8th, 1921.

Butcher Meat.

| | |
|---|--------|
| Beef Sirloin—Mei Leng Pa | lb. 20 |
| Prime Cut | 20 |
| Corned—Ham Ngau Yek | 20 |
| Roast—Shiu | 19 |
| Breast—Ngau Nam | 18 |
| Scap—Tong Yek | 18 |
| Steak—Ngau Tai Pa | 19 |
| Steak—Shiu Lin—Ngau Lai | 18 |
| Sausages—Ngau Cheung | 23 |
| Salmon's Brain—Ngau No per set | 10 |
| Tongue, fresh—Ngau Lai each 50 | |
| Tongue, corned—Ham Ngau Lai each 60 cents | |
| Head—Ngau Tai | 20 |
| Heart—Ngau Sam | 13 |
| Knock—Ngau Kiu | 18 |
| Feet—Ngau Kiu | 10 |
| Kidneys—Ngau Tai | 10 |
| Liver—Ngau Kiu | 13 |
| Tripe—Ngau Kiu | 10 |

Poultry.

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Chicken—Fai Tai | lb. 28 |
| Capon, Small—Sin Kai | 24 |
| Capon, Large—Sin Kai | 28 |
| Duck—Ap | 28 |
| Goose—Pai Kai | 28 |
| Eggs, Hen—Kai Tai (cooling) per doz. | 28 |
| Eggs, Hen—Kai Tai (fresh) per doz. | 40 |
| Fowls, Canton—Kai Tai | 23 |
| Geese—Kai Tai | 23 |
| Pigeons, Canton—Pai Kai | 40 |
| "Hollow—Hol Hai Pak Kai | 23 |
| Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kai Kung | 75 |
| Turkeys, Hen—Fo Kai Na | 60 |
| Scipie—Sha Tai | 20 |
| Phasant—Shan Kai | 20 |
| Quail—Om Chan | 20 |
| Partridges—Che Kai | 20 |

Fruits.

| | |
|------------------------------|----|
| Sheep's Head and Feet.—Yeung | |
| Tau-Kenk... .. set | 70 |
| Heart.—Yeung Sam ... each | 10 |
| Kidneys.—Yeung Yiu ... each | 13 |
| Liver.—Yeung Kon ... lb. | 34 |

' PHONE NO. 16.

STRIPES, PLAIN COLOURS,
CREAM, WHITE.

60, Des Voeux Road, CENTRAL.

The Governor in Council, satisfied that an act prejudicial to public safety

HAVE you ever tried Chamberlain's Pain Palm for rheumatism? If not, you are wasting time, as the longer this disease runs on the harder it is to cure. Get a bottle to-day, apply it with a vigorous massage to the afflicted part, and you will be surprised and delighted at the relief obtained. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

committees together. These do not only hang up work, but prices increase its cost. As to construction of ferry piers, there has been a delay, not entirely due to shortage of staff—although there is very short. We have not had to turn out the piles, and we had to lay out large platform in order to turn out piles 70 feet. We are now turning out three a

room
have
ness in
dong.
day

borate and show a spirit of unselfishness and interest in the community, that a water frontage might be presented which would be a credit to the Colony for many years to come.

Referring to the next meeting of the Council H. E. the Governor it seemed certain that nothing would be ready next week and some-

g of indefinite whether anything will
said ready in a fortnight. H. E. a pro
ould that the Council should adjourn
what die was adopted.

... was adopted.

SHIPPING

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE

Sailings:—To Canton daily at 8 a.m. and 10 p.m. (Sundays 10 p.m. only).
From Canton daily at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Sundays 5 p.m. only).

BYRICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE

Sailings: To:—Macao—Daily at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. (Sundays at 8 a.m. only).
From Macao—Daily at 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. (Sundays at 8 a.m. only).

Further information may be obtained at the Company's Office, Hotel Mansions, or from Messrs. The, Oor & Son, Booking Agents, Hongkong.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LTD.

REGULAR SAILINGS TO NEW YORK & BOSTON

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ

S.S. "KENDAL CASTLE".....Sailing on or about 5th September.

LLOYD TRIESTINO

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING
FOR LEVANT, BLACK SEA & DANUBE PORTS.

FIGURE having been re-opened for traffic, cargo is also accepted for this port on through bills of lading.

FOR BRINDISI, VENICE, AND TRIESTE.

S.S. "TRIESTE".....end of August.
S.S. "PERSIA".....Sailing in the middle of October.

FOR SHANGHAI.

S.S. "PERSIA".....Sailing on or about 3rd October.

Passengers' Luggage can be insured at the office of the Agents.

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS

Regular Passenger and Cargo Service to

SAILING FROM COLOMBO TO
SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS

S.S. "UMONA".....Sailing the beginning of Sept.
S.S. "UNYLOST".....Sailing on or about 25th Sept.

Through Bills of Lading issued from Hongkong

For Freight or Passage on any of the above Lines apply to:—

DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

LONDON ANTWERP ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG—Monthly direct service via Singapore and Port Said.

ALASKA MARU.....Saturday, 10th Sept.

BUENOS AIRES—Rodeo Janeiro, Santos, Durban & Cape Town via Singapore.

SEATTLE MARU.....Friday, 9th Oct.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO—Regular fortnightly service via SINGAPORE.

PEKING MARU.....Wednesday, 14th Sept.

KASADO MARU.....Wednesday, 5th Oct.

DELI & BANGKOK via SAIGON & SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly

EISHU MARU.....Saturday, 1st Oct.

Excellent accommodation for 1st and 3rd class passengers.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE—Monthly service taking cargo to New Zealand and

Pacific Coast.

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE & TACOMA—Via Shanghai and

Osaka—Regular fortnightly passenger service touching at intermediate ports to

Japan taking cargo to OVERLAND POINTS U.S. in connection with Chicago

Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway.

ALABAMA MARU (omit, Dairen).....Tuesday, 27th Sept.

SHARU MARU.....Tuesday, 4th Oct.

NEW YORK via PANAMA.....Wednesday, 11th Sept.

AMUR MARU.....Tuesday, 20th Sept.

CELEBES MARU.....Friday, 14th Oct.

BOJINGO MARU.....Friday, 14th Oct.

JAPAN PORTS—Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

CHOSHU MARU (Kobe via Shanghai).....Thursday, 8th Sept.

BURMA MARU.....Monday, 3rd October.

KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY—These steamers have excellent accommo-

dation for 1st and 3rd class passengers and will arrive at and depart from

the O.S.K. wharf near the Harbor Office.

KAIJO MARU.....Sunday, 11th Sept.

TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.....Thursday, 22nd September.

For sailing dates and further particulars please apply to:—

Y. YASUDA, Manager, No. 1, Queen's Building.

NEW YORK DIRECT.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE

"BLUE FUNNEL" LINE

(OCEAN R.R. CO., LD. & CHINA MUTUAL S.N. CO., LD.)

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE

(ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL R.R. CO., LD.)

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"KNIGHT TEMPLAR".....Via Suez Canal.....9th Sept.

"BURYMACBUS".....Via Suez Canal.....13th Oct.

"CITY OF ADELPHI".....Via Suez Canal.....1st Nov.

"TYDEUS".....Via Suez Canal.....13th Nov.

Steamers proceed via Suez Canal or Panama Canal at Owners' option.

Subject to change without notice.

For freight and particulars apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE or THE BANK LINE, LD., HONGKONG

GONGKONG & CANTON REIS & CO., CANTON.

THE KWONG HIP LUNG CO., LTD

ENGINEERS and SHIPBUILDERS, BOILER-MAKERS, BRASS and IRON
FOUNDERS. All work done in this establishment is guaranteed. We have
over thirty years' experience. We own two shipyards and can accommodate any craft
of 300 feet long.

Works Office: 44, CONNOR ROAD, CENTRAL, HONGKONG. Telephone No. 459.
Shipping Office: 31, 33, 35, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 67, 69, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, 83, 85, 87, 89, 91, 93, 95, 97, 99, 101, 103, 105, 107, 109, 111, 113, 115, 117, 119, 121, 123, 125, 127, 129, 131, 133, 135, 137, 139, 141, 143, 145, 147, 149, 151, 153, 155, 157, 159, 161, 163, 165, 167, 169, 171, 173, 175, 177, 179, 181, 183, 185, 187, 189, 191, 193, 195, 197, 199, 201, 203, 205, 207, 209, 211, 213, 215, 217, 219, 221, 223, 225, 227, 229, 231, 233, 235, 237, 239, 241, 243, 245, 247, 249, 251, 253, 255, 257, 259, 261, 263, 265, 267, 269, 271, 273, 275, 277, 279, 281, 283, 285, 287, 289, 291, 293, 295, 297, 299, 301, 303, 305, 307, 309, 311, 313, 315, 317, 319, 321, 323, 325, 327, 329, 331, 333, 335, 337, 339, 341, 343, 345, 347, 349, 351, 353, 355, 357, 359, 361, 363, 365, 367, 369, 371, 373, 375, 377, 379, 381, 383, 385, 387, 389, 391, 393, 395, 397, 399, 401, 403, 405, 407, 409, 411, 413, 415, 417, 419, 421, 423, 425, 427, 429, 431, 433, 435, 437, 439, 441, 443, 445, 447, 449, 451, 453, 455, 457, 459, 461, 463, 465, 467, 469, 471, 473, 475, 477, 479, 481, 483, 485, 487, 489, 491, 493, 495, 497, 499, 501, 503, 505, 507, 509, 511, 513, 515, 517, 519, 521, 523, 525, 527, 529, 531, 533, 535, 537, 539, 541, 543, 545, 547, 549, 551, 553, 555, 557, 559, 561, 563, 565, 567, 569, 571, 573, 575, 577, 579, 581, 583, 585, 587, 589, 591, 593, 595, 597, 599, 601, 603, 605, 607, 609, 611, 613, 615, 617, 619, 621, 623, 625, 627, 629, 631, 633, 635, 637, 639, 641, 643, 645, 647, 649, 651, 653, 655, 657, 659, 661, 663, 665, 667, 669, 671, 673, 675, 677, 679, 681, 683, 685, 687, 689, 691, 693, 695, 697, 699, 701, 703, 705, 707, 709, 711, 713, 715, 717, 719, 721, 723, 725, 727, 729, 731, 733, 735, 737, 739, 741, 743, 745, 747, 749, 751, 753, 755, 757, 759, 761, 763, 765, 767, 769, 771, 773, 775, 777, 779, 781, 783, 785, 787, 789, 791, 793, 795, 797, 799, 801, 803, 805, 807, 809, 811, 813, 815, 817, 819, 821, 823, 825, 827, 829, 831, 833, 835, 837, 839, 841, 843, 845, 847, 849, 851, 853, 855, 857, 859, 861, 863, 865, 867, 869, 871, 873, 875, 877, 879, 881, 883, 885, 887, 889, 891, 893, 895, 897, 899, 901, 903, 905, 907, 909, 911, 913, 915, 917, 919, 921, 923, 925, 927, 929, 931, 933, 935, 937, 939, 941, 943, 945, 947, 949, 951, 953, 955, 957, 959, 961, 963, 965, 967, 969, 971, 973, 975, 977, 979, 981, 983, 985, 987, 989, 991, 993, 995, 997, 999, 1001, 1003, 1005, 1007, 1009, 1011, 1013, 1015, 1017, 1019, 1021, 1023, 1025, 1027, 1029, 1031, 1033, 1035, 1037, 1039, 1041, 1043, 1045, 1047, 1049, 1051, 1053, 1055, 1057, 1059, 1061, 1063, 1065, 1067, 1069, 1071, 1073, 1075, 1077, 1079, 1081, 1083, 1085, 1087, 1089, 1091, 1093, 1095, 1097, 1099, 1101, 1103, 1105, 1107, 1109, 1111, 1113, 1115, 1117, 1119, 1121, 1123, 1125, 1127, 1129, 1131, 1133, 1135, 1137, 1139, 1141, 1143, 1145, 1147, 1149, 1151, 1153, 1155, 1157, 1159, 1161, 1163, 1165, 1167, 1169, 1171, 1173, 1175, 1177, 1179, 1181, 1183, 1185, 1187, 1189, 1191, 1193, 1195, 1197, 1199, 1201, 1203, 1205, 1207, 1209, 1211, 1213, 1215, 1217, 1219, 1221, 1223, 1225, 1227, 1229, 1231, 1233, 1235, 1237, 1239, 1241, 1243, 1245, 1247, 1249, 1251, 1253, 1255, 1257, 1259, 1261, 1263, 1265, 1267, 1269, 1271, 1273, 1275, 1277, 1279, 1281, 1283, 1285, 1287, 1289, 1291, 1293, 1295, 1297, 1299, 1301, 1303, 1305, 1307, 1309, 1311, 1313, 1315, 1317, 1319, 1321, 1323, 1325, 1327, 1329, 1331, 1333, 1335, 1337, 1339, 1341, 1343, 1345, 1347, 1349, 1351, 1353, 1355, 1357, 1359, 1361, 1363, 1365, 1367, 1369, 1371, 1373, 1375, 1377, 1379, 1381, 1383, 1385, 1387, 1389, 1391, 1393, 1395, 1397, 1399, 1401, 1403, 1405, 1407, 1409, 1411, 1413, 1415, 1417, 1419, 1421, 1423, 1425, 1427, 1429, 1431, 1433, 1435, 1437, 1439, 1441, 1443, 1445, 1447, 1449, 1451, 1453, 1455, 1457, 1459, 1461, 1463, 1465, 1467, 1469, 1471, 1473, 1475, 1477, 1479, 1481, 1483, 1485, 1487, 1489, 1491, 1493, 1495, 1497, 1499, 1501, 1503, 1505, 1507, 1509, 1511, 1513, 1515, 1517, 1519, 1521, 1523, 1525, 1527, 1529, 1531, 1533, 1535, 1537, 1539, 1541, 1543, 1545, 1547, 1549, 1551, 1553, 1555, 1557, 1559, 1561, 1563, 1565, 1567, 1569, 1571, 1573, 1575, 1577, 1579, 1581, 1583, 1585, 1587, 1589, 1591, 1593, 1595, 1597, 1599, 1601, 1603, 1605, 1607, 1609, 1611, 1613, 1615, 1617, 1619, 1621, 1623, 1625, 1627, 1629, 1631, 1633, 1635, 1637, 1639, 1641, 1643, 1645, 1647, 1649, 1651, 1653, 1655, 1657, 1659, 1661, 1663, 1665, 1667, 1669, 1671, 1673, 1675, 1677, 1679, 1681, 1683, 1685, 1687, 1689, 1691, 1693, 1695, 1697, 1699, 1701, 1703, 1705, 1707, 1709, 1711, 1713, 1715, 1717, 1719, 1721, 1723, 1725, 1727, 1729, 1731, 1733, 1735, 1737, 1739, 1741, 1743, 1745, 1747, 1749, 1751, 1753, 1755, 1757, 1759, 1761, 1763, 1765, 1767, 1769, 1771, 1773, 1775, 1777, 1779, 1781, 1783, 1785, 1787, 1789, 1791, 1793, 1795, 1797, 1799, 1801, 1803, 1805, 1807, 1809, 1811, 1813, 1815, 1817, 1819, 1821, 1823, 1825, 1827, 1829, 1831, 1833, 1835, 1837, 1839, 1841, 1843, 1845, 1847, 1849, 1851, 1853, 1855, 1857, 1859, 1861, 1863, 1865, 1867, 1869, 1871, 1873, 1875, 1877, 1879, 1881, 1883, 1885, 1887, 1889, 1891, 1893, 1895, 1897, 1899, 1901, 1903, 1905, 1907, 1909, 1911, 1913, 1915, 1917, 1919, 1921, 1923, 1925, 1927, 1929, 1931, 1933, 1935, 1937, 1939, 1941, 1943, 1945, 1947, 1949, 1951, 1953, 1955, 1957, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1965, 1967, 1969, 1971, 1973, 1975, 1977, 1979, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1987, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2023, 2025, 2027, 2029, 2031, 2033, 2035, 2037, 2039, 2041, 2043, 2045, 2047, 2049, 2051, 2053, 2055, 2057, 2059, 2061, 2063, 2065, 2067, 2069, 2071, 2073, 2075, 2077, 2079, 2081, 2083, 2085, 2087, 2089, 2091, 2093, 2095, 2097, 2099, 2101, 2103, 2105, 2107, 2109, 2111, 2113, 2115, 2117, 2119, 2121, 2123, 2125, 2127, 2129, 2131, 2133, 2135, 2137, 2139, 2141, 2143, 2145, 2147, 2149, 2151, 2153, 2155, 2157, 2159, 2161, 2163, 2165, 2167, 2169, 2171, 2173, 2175, 2177, 2179, 2181, 2183, 2185, 2187, 2189, 2191, 2193, 2195, 2197, 2199, 2201, 2203, 2205, 2207, 2209, 2211, 2213, 2215, 2217, 2219, 2221, 2223, 2225, 2227, 2229, 2231, 2233, 2235, 2237, 2239, 2241, 2243, 2245, 2247, 2249, 2251, 2253, 2255, 2257, 2259, 2261, 2263, 2265, 2267, 2269, 2271, 2273, 2275, 2277, 2279, 2281, 2283, 2285, 2287, 2289, 2291, 2293, 2295, 2297, 2299, 2301, 2303, 2305, 2307, 2309, 2311, 2313, 2315, 2317, 2319, 2321, 2323, 2325, 2327, 2329, 2331, 2333, 2335, 2337, 2339, 2341, 2343, 2345, 2347, 2349, 2351, 2353, 2355, 2357, 2359, 2361, 2363, 2365, 2367, 2369, 2371, 2373, 2375, 2377, 2379, 2381, 2383, 2385, 2387, 2389, 2391, 2393, 2395, 2397, 2399, 2401, 2403, 2405, 2407, 2409, 2411, 2413, 2415, 2417, 2419, 2421, 2423, 2425, 2427, 2429, 2431, 2433, 2435, 2437, 2439, 2441, 2443, 2445, 2447, 2449, 2451, 2453, 2455, 2457, 2459, 2461, 2463, 2465, 2467, 2469, 2471, 2473, 2475, 2477, 2479, 2481, 2483, 2485, 2487, 2489, 2491, 2493, 2495, 2497, 2499, 2501, 2503, 2505, 2507, 2509, 2511, 2513, 2515, 2517, 2519, 2521, 2523, 2525, 2527, 2529, 2531, 2533, 2535, 2537, 2539, 2541, 2543, 2545, 2547, 2549, 2551, 2553, 2555, 2557, 2559, 2561, 2563, 2565, 2567, 2569, 2571, 2573, 2575, 2577, 2579, 2581, 2583, 2585, 2587, 2589, 2591, 2593, 2595, 2597, 2599, 2601, 2603, 2605, 2607, 2609, 2611, 2613, 2615, 2617, 2619, 2621, 2623, 2625, 2627, 2629, 2631, 2633, 2635, 2637, 2639, 2641, 2643, 2645, 2647, 2649, 2651, 2653, 2655, 2657, 2659, 2661, 2663, 2665, 2667, 2669, 2671, 2673, 2675, 2677, 2679, 2681, 2683, 2685, 2687, 2689, 2691, 2693, 2695, 2697, 2699, 2701, 2703, 2705, 2707, 2709, 2711, 2713, 2715, 2717, 2719, 2721, 2723, 2725, 2727, 2729, 2731, 2733, 2735, 2737, 2739, 2741, 2743, 2745, 2747, 2749, 2751, 2753, 2755, 2757, 2759, 2761, 2763, 2765, 2767, 2769, 2771, 2773, 2775, 2777, 2779, 2781, 2783, 2785, 2787, 2789, 2791, 2793, 2795, 2797, 2799, 2801, 2803, 2805, 2807, 2809, 2811, 2813, 2815, 2817, 2819, 2821, 2823, 2825, 2827, 2829, 2831, 2833, 2835, 2837, 2839, 2841, 2843, 2845, 2847, 2849, 2851, 2853, 2855, 2857, 2859, 2861, 2863, 2865, 2867, 2869, 2871, 2873, 2875, 2877, 2879, 2881, 2883, 2885, 2887, 28

SHIPPING

P. & O.-BRITISH INDIA APCAR AND EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN LINES

(COMPANIES incorporated in ENGLAND).
MAIL AND PASSENGER SERVICES
STRAITS, JAVA, BURMA, CEYLON, INDIA, PERSIAN GULF, WEST
INDIES, MAURITIUS, EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA, AUSTRALASIA,
INCLUDING NEW ZEALAND AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, RED
SEA, EGYPT, EUROPE, &c.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL SAILINGS (South)

| S. S. | Tons | From Hongkong (about) | Destination |
|------------|-------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| "DILWARA" | 5,400 | 13th Sept. | Singapore, Colombo & Bombay. |
| "KHYBER" | 5,400 | 16th Sept. | MARSHALLS, LONDON & A'werp. |
| "KEIVA" | 5,400 | 14th Oct. | MARSHALLS, LONDON & A'werp. |
| "SARDINIA" | 5,800 | 23rd Oct. | MARSHALLS, LONDON & A'werp. |
| "KARMALA" | 9,000 | 11th Nov. | MARSHALLS, LONDON & A'werp. |

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

| S. S. | Tons | From Hongkong (about) | Destination |
|-----------------|-------|-----------------------------|--|
| "ARRATON APCAR" | 4,510 | 9th Sept. at 10 a.m. | Calcutta, via Singapore Penang and Rangoon. |

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

| S. S. | Tons | From Hongkong (about) | Destination |
|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--|
| "EASTERN" | 4,000 | 22nd Sept. | Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne. |
| "ARAFURA" | 6,000 | 17th Oct. | |

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

| S. S. | Tons | From Hongkong (about) | Destination |
|------------|-------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| "TAKADA" | 7,000 | 9th Sept. | Amoy, Shanghai and Kobe. |
| "KHIVA" | 9,100 | 12th Sept. at Noon | Shanghai, Kobe & Yama. |
| "SARDINIA" | 6,600 | 23rd Sept. | Japan via Shanghai. |

SPECIAL STEAMER.

The P. & O. S. S. "EGYPT" is expected to leave Hongkong on or about the 18th January, 1922, taking passengers and cargo for MARSEILLES and LONDON sailing at Bombay.

All rates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.

1st Saloon Passengers may travel by P.O.S.N. Company's steamers between Singapore and Calcutta, or Singapore and Madras in lieu of the section of their P. & O. tickets Singapore to Calcutta.
All cabins are fitted with Electric Fans free of charge.
Steamers and Sailing dates are liable to be cancelled or altered without notice.
Parcels Measuring not more than 3 ft. x 2 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.
For further information, Passage Fare, Freight, Handbooks, etc., apply to—
MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.
22, Des Voeux Road Central, HONGKONG. Agents.

E. HING & CO.

LARGE STOCK OF SHIPBUILDING MATERIALS,
viz. Steel Ship Plates, Angles and Bars.
Also Shipchandlery Articles.
Telephone No. 1116. 25, Wing Wo Street, Central.

N. Y. K.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

SEATTLE & VICTORIA OR VANCOUVER via Manila,
Keelung, Shanghai & Japan ports.

Cargo to Overland points U.S.A. in connection with Great Northern, Northern
Pacific, and Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railways.

KASIMA MARU (Omit, Manila) ... Tuesday, 4th Oct., at 11 a.m.
SUWA MARU (Nagasaki direct) ... Saturday, 29th Oct., at 11 a.m.

LONDON & ANTIWEPP via Singapore, Malacca, Penang
Colombo, Suez, Port Said & Marseilles.

KITANO MARU ... Friday, 16th Sept., at 11 a.m.
INABA MARU ... Friday, 20th Sept., at 11 a.m.

HAMBURG, LONDON & ROTTERDAM.
MITO MARU ... Middle of October.

LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW & MARSEILLES.
LISEON MARU ... Monday, 3rd October.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday
Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

TANGO MARU ... Tuesday, 20th Sept., at 11 a.m.
NIKKO MARU ... Tuesday, 18th Oct., at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & OUBAN PORT via PANAMA.
DAKAR MARU ... Tuesday, 20th September.

DURBAN MARU ... Thursday, 29th Oct.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.
KANAGAWA MARU ... Monday, 19th September.

KAWACHI MARU ... Middle of November.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore and Penang.
TATSUKO MARU ... Tuesday, 30th Sept.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.
NAGATO MARU ... Monday, 13th Sept.

NAGATO MARU ... Saturday, 24th Sept.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.
NIKKO MARU ... Friday, 16th Sept., at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
ITO MARU ... Friday, 16th Sept., at 11 a.m.

For further information apply to—

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

Telephone Nos. 292.

SHIPPING.

VEREENIGDE NEDERLANDSCHE SCHEEPVAART MAATSCHAPPIJ

(United Netherlands Navigation Company.)

HOLLAND-OOST AZIE LIJN

(Holland East Asia Line)

(Members of the Straits, China & Japan Conference.)

Regular monthly service between

YOKOHAMA, KOBE, DAIREN, SHANGHAI, HONGKONG, ANILA

AND

AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, BREMEN.

| Steamers. | Loading. | For | Sailing |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|
| RADJA | September | Amsterdam & Hamburg | 4th Sept. |
| TJIMANOEK | October | Rotterdam & Hamburg | 2nd Oct. |

For full particulars please apply to—

JAVA CHINA JAPAN LYN,

General Agents,

Telephone No. 1674.

York Building.

JAVA-PACIFIC LINE

OF THE JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

Steamer. From Expected Will leave For

The steamers are all fitted throughout with electric light and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon-passengers.
All steamers carry a duly qualified surgeon.
Cargo taken on through Bills of Lading to all Overland Points to the United States of America and Canada.
For Particulars of Freight and Passage apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN,

General Managers,

Telephone No. 1674.

York Building.

THE EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LTD., COPEHAGEN.

The

S.S. "MALAYA"

due here 24th September, will be loading for Rotterdam,
Hamburg, Copenhagen and other Scandinavian Ports.

End of October.

FURTHER SAILINGS:—

M.S. "PANAMA" ... Nov./December.

M.S. "ANNA" ... Dec./January.

For further particulars please apply to—

MANNERS & BACKHOUSE, LTD.

Hongkong, September 2, 1921.



HOUSEHOLD COAL

We are prepared to accept orders for HOUSEHOLD COAL

re-sorted in Hongkong at the following prices:—

Delivered to Peak District (above Bowen Road)...\$22.00 per ton.

"Bowen Road and Lower Levels

and Kowloon...\$21.00 per ton.

TERMS—CASH WITH ORDER.

(CHEQUES PAYABLE TO "RAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION")

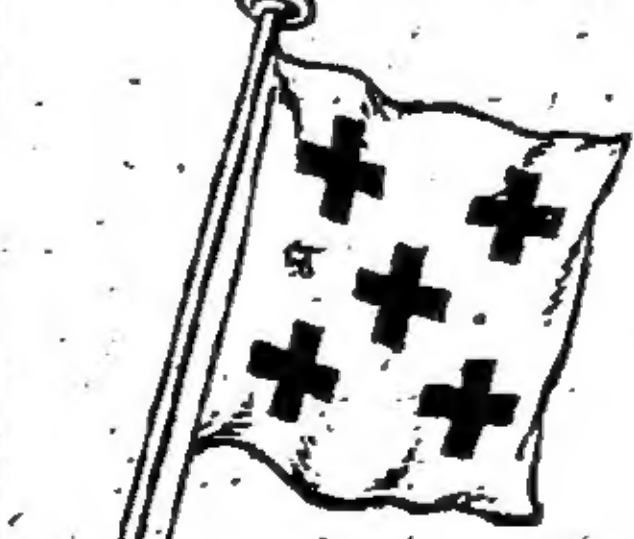
KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION

HEAD OFFICE—TIENTSIN.

AGENTS—DUDWELL & CO., LTD.

HONGKONG.

The Negative FLAG



of the Naval Code.

—Say "NO" when

offered IMITATIONS

of Lea & Perrins'

Sauce.

Lea & Perrins

To distinguish the original and
genuine Worcestershire Sauce
from the many imitations, see
that the signature of LEA & PERRINS
appears in White across the Red
label on every Bottle.



P. & O. S. N. CO.

STEAMERS FOR
STRAITS, COLOMBO, AUS-
TRALIA, BOMBAY, EGYPT,
MEDITERRANEAN PORTS
& LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for
Batavia, Persian Gulf, Continental,
American and South African Ports.

THE Steamship "DIUWARA"
Captain BARK, carrying His
Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from
this Port on or about TUESDAY,
13th September, 1921, taking Passen-
gers and Cargo for the above Ports.
Silk and Valuable and Tea for Italy,
France and London (under arrangement)
will be transhipped at Bombay into the
Mail Steamer proceeding direct to
Marseilles and London.

Parcels will be received at this Office
until 3 P.M. the day before sailing.
The contents and value of all packages
are required.

For further particulars apply to—

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE

& CO.,

Agents.

Hongkong, September 2, 1921.

MITSUBISHI SHOJI KAISHA, LTD.

(Mitsubishi Trading Co., Ltd.)

COAL, GENERAL IMPORTS AND

EXPORTS.

SOLE PROPRIETORS OF

TAKASHIMA, OCHI, MUTARE,

KIRIDARE, YOSHINOYARI,

HOJO, KAMATTA, KAYO, SHIN-

NEW, KANADA, BIRAI, KAMITA,

MADA, AND OTUBARI.

AGENTS FOR SAKITO COAL.

Head Office—TOKYO.

Branches and

Representatives:—

Nagasaki, Kanata, Wakamatsu, Moji,

Kure, Kobe, Osaka, Tsuruga, Nagoya,

Yokohama, Tokyo, Hakodate, Muroran,

Osaka, Yamaguchi, Fukuoka, Fukuoka,

Daikoku, Tientsin, Hankow,

Shanghai, Hongkong, Canton, Manila,

Singapore, Soerabaya, London, Paris,

New York and Seattle.

Cable Address—JWASA, JISAL

Correspondence in English and

Western Union and Bentley

Agencies for: The Mitsubishi Marine &

Fire Insurance Co.

The Osaka Marine &

Fire Insurance Co.

Particulars apply to—

S. KOMURA, Manager.

No. 14, Patten Street, Hongkong.

THE "CHINA MAIL."

NOTICE

Communications relating to news should

be addressed to THE EDITOR.

Correspondence must forward their

names and addresses with any communication

addressed to the Editor, not necessarily for

publication but as evidence of good faith.

All matter for publication should be

written on one side of the paper only.

Letters relating to business should be

addressed to THE MANAGER.

Rate of subscription to "China Mail" is

\$20 per annum; per quarter and per month

pro rata.

Orders for extra copies of the "China

Mail" should be sent as soon as possible as

the supply is limited. Cash 10 cts. Credit

10 cts. per copy.

The "China Mail" is delivered free at

subscribers in Hongkong and Kowloon.

Postage is charged at the rate of fifty

cents per month.

Rate of subscription to the "Overland

China Mail" is \$12 per annum; postage

11 per annum extra. Single copy twenty-

five cents each.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements

on pages 2, 3, 4, 7, 8 and 9 should be

sent to the Office, No. 5, Wyndham

Street, not later than 11.30 a.m.

Alterations and additions to Advertisements

on pages 1, 4, 5 and 10 should be

sent in not later than 1 p.m.

New Advertisements should be sent in

before 3 p.m.

Telegraphic Address "MAIL" Hongkong.

Cable Address "A.B.C." 5th Edition.

Telephone No. 22.

THE CHINA MAIL.

SHIPPING

STRUTHERS & DIXON, Inc.

GREEN STAR LINE.

Operating Far Eastern services for account of the
UNITED STATES SHIPPING BOARD.

To SINGAPORE & JAVA.

"West Calera" ... 5th September.

To VANCOUVER AND SEATTLE

(Via SHANGHAI & JAPAN.)

"West Cannon" ... 3rd September.

To LOS ANGELES & SAN FRANCISCO

(Via SHANGHAI, JAPAN & HONOLULU.)

"West Henshaw" ... 28th September.

Also, cargo accepted for Transshipment at San Francisco

and/or Seattle to weekly sailings for

NEW ORLEANS, SAVANNAH, NORFOLK,

BALTIMORE, PHILADELPHIA,

NEW YORK, BOSTON.

Through Bills of Lading issued to all U.S. & Canadian Overland Common Points.
HONGKONG OFFICE—1st floor Patten's Building, 15, Des Voeux Rd., Tel. 3008.

T. K. K. TOYO KISEN KAISHA

HONGKONG TO SAN FRANCISCO.

VIA SHANGHAI, THE INLAND SEA, JAPAN & HONOLULU.

"THE PATHWAY OF THE SUN."

STEAMERS. TONS. LEAVE HONGKONG.

TENYO MARU ... 22,000 ... Sept. 9th.

*KOREA MARU ... 20,000 ... Sept. 19th.

*SHINYO MARU ... 22,000 ... Oct. 4th.

*PERSIA MARU ... 22,000 ... Oct. 14th at 10.30 a.m.

TAIYO MARU ... 22,000 ... Oct. 30th.

FIBERIA MARU ... 22,000 ... Nov. 15th.

*Calling at Keelung.

*Calling at Dairen and emitting call at Shanghai.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

HONGKONG TO VALPARAISO.

VIA JAPAN, HONOLULU, HILO, SAN FRANCISCO, SAN PEDRO

DELA CRUZ, BALBOA, CALLAO, MOLENDINO, ARICA & IQUIQUE.

THENCE BY TRANS-ANDREAN ROUTE TO BUENOS AYRES.

STEAMERS. TONS. LEAVE HONGKONG.

CINTO MARU ... 18,800 ... Sept. 8th.

ANYO MARU ... 18,700 ... Sept. 25th.

For full information regarding passengers freight and sailings, apply to—

T. TSUTSUMI, Manager: King's Building, Tel. Nos. 2374 & 2375

Agents at Canton: Messrs. T. E. GRIFFITH, LTD.

THOS. COOK & SON.

Tourist, Steamship and Forwarding Agents, Bankers, etc

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Radio Service to the China Mail.)

CABINET'S IRISH DECISION.

SINN FEINERS INVITED TO CONFERENCE AT INVERNESS.

A DEFINITE REPLY REQUIRED.

LONDON, September 8.

An official statement announces that the Cabinet has invited the Sinn Feiners to a conference at Inverness on September 20 to ascertain how the association of Ireland with the British Empire can be reconciled with Irish national aspirations.

LATER.

The Inverness Cabinet conference has broken up. Viscount Fitz Alan and General Macready have returned to London.

PRINCIPLE AND ITS INTERPRETATION.

LONDON, September 8.

In the course of its reply to Mr. De Valera, the Cabinet points out that the principle of Government by the consent of the governed on which Mr. De Valera insisted in his last letter is the foundation of British constitutional development, but the Cabinet cannot accept as the basis of a practical conference an interpretation of that principle which would commit it to such demands as the setting up of a republic and repudiating the Crown. So applied the principle of government by the consent of the governed would undermine the fabric of every democratic state and drive the civilized world back to tribalism.

ENOUGH TALK.

The Cabinet reply mentions that if Sinn Fein accepts the invitation to the conference it will be open to them to raise the subject of guarantees on any points in which it may be considered Irish freedom is prejudiced by the proposals already made. The reply dwells on the desirability of a conference at which any possible Sinn Fein objection to the proposals offered Ireland less than the liberty described can be explored. The reply expresses the opinion that the correspondence has lasted long enough and therefore asks for a definite reply accompanied by suggestions for a conference by September 20.

GRAND TRUNK DECISION.

CITY THUNDERSTRUCK AT £37,000,000 STOCK RULING.

LONDON, September 8.

The City is thunderstruck at the majority decision of the Grand Trunk arbitration board (reported in our earlier cables). The decision is based on the view that but for Government financial support the Grand Trunk must have been forced into a receivership. The stocks in question amount to £37,000,000. The question of compassionate consideration of the shareholders was left to the Government. The shareholders who are practically entirely British, are entitled to appeal to the Privy Council. It is noteworthy that former President Taft's dissenting from the judgment places the value of the stocks slightly higher than the maximum fixed by the Act of Parliament under which the Government assumed control of the railway.

PRUSSIAN MANUFACTURING BOOM.

LOW EXCHANGE ATTRACTS LARGE FOREIGN ORDERS.

BERLIN, September 8.

The September report of the Prussian ministry of trade says that the manufacturing boom continues in most branches of production. The fall in the mark exchange has attracted large foreign orders and home buying is very active. The iron industry has booked orders for months ahead and trade is active in diamonds, cottons, woollens, silks, linens, locomotives, motor cars and chemicals.

LEAGUE CRITICISM.

LORD ROBERT CECIL BLAMES AMERICA FOR MANDATES DELAY.

GENEVA, September 8.

The assembly of the League discussed the Secretariat's report on the work of the Council. Lord Robert Cecil defended the Council's works against M. Branting's criticisms, although he criticised the secrecy of some of its deliberations and regretted the delay in the settling of A. and B. mandates. Lord Robert Cecil declared that the delay was not the Council's fault but the fault of the United States.

GREEKS v. TURKS.

GREEK "VICTORY" NOT CONFIRMED.

LONDON, September 9.

An unconfirmed report of the fall of Angora is apparently baseless. The latest information in London indicates that the Greek attack east of the river Sakaria is at a standstill. There has been severe fighting for four days, and there are now even signs of a Greek withdrawal. The Greek army is about forty miles southwest of Angora.

DISARMAMENT.

VETERAN LAW EXPERT TO HELP.

WASHINGTON, September 9.

Mr. Elihu Root has offered to institute co-operation between the American disarmament delegation and the Carnegie Foundation. It is stated that Mr. Hughes was pleased with this offer; he indicated that it was likely to prove helpful.

MYSTERY GUN.

APPLICATION TO COAL MINING AND QUARRYING.

The name of Sir Edgar Jones, M.P., having been mentioned in connection with the new long-range noiseless gun with which experiments have just been made in America, a reporter asked Sir Edgar if the reports received from America were correct.

He replied: "I have seen it and took a lot of interest in it when I was in New York. But I am not interested in it as a gun, but in its application to industry, particularly to coal-mining and quarrying. It is a very small instrument, that will make blasting with powder unnecessary. These developments are proceeding and one of these days I think we shall have a very considerable and remarkable development."

"It is true that as a gun it will revolutionise gunnery, because it has no recoil and makes no noise. The inventor is not keen at all in applying his discoveries to destruction but in making them applicable to production. And it is from that point of view that I am interested."

"Who is the inventor? He lives just outside London, and is working away to apply the invention to industrial purposes. But as a gun I think our own people were getting ready to use it before the war ended. The inventor is a very clever man. He was a member of the Inventions Board, and has several important inventions all over the world. The arrangements for the trials of which the cables speak were made when I was in New York."

"What of its applicability to mining?"

"Well, here is the instrument" (measuring a space of about a foot). "The man with it goes up against the face of coal. He works the instrument, and 'blift' splits the whole face of the coal. Then all he has to do is to get the coal out. It is not a blasting operation. It is just the delivery of a blow at a terrific velocity on a small patch which cracks the whole piece. It will crack granite or slate or any hard rock. It is very small but very complicated and very effective. There is no contact with the air and therefore no sound and no recoil. It is based on new mechanical principles absolutely."

Sir Edgar added that it was too early yet for experiments underground. As to the invention's qualities as a gun, he said the difficulty with big guns hitherto had been that huge guns required huge carriages and a great foundation of concrete. But in this invention there was no noise or recoil. Fired on board ship there would be none of the tremendous concussion which there hitherto had been.

QUEST OF THE QUEST.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA TO INSPECT SHACKLETON'S SHIP.

Sir Ernest Shackleton was received by Queen Alexandra, to whom he explained in detail his plans for the "Quest" to the little-known islands of the Atlantic and the Pacific and the uncharted seas of the South Pole.

On a chart which he took with him Sir Ernest showed his proposed route to Queen Alexandra, who displayed the greatest interest in the expedition and promised to visit the "Quest" when the vessel is brought to London this month.

Sir Ernest Shackleton's letter-bag is one of the most interesting in London. Every mail brings applications from would-be explorers anxious to join the cruise of the "Quest," suggestions, both helpful and bewildering, and requests concerning little-known islands of the Pacific at which the Shackleton-Rowett expedition will touch.

A Swedish scientist invites the investigation of certain areas of magnetic attraction south of the Cape of Good Hope. An ex-Serviceman bases a request to join the expedition as a member of the fact that on the North Russian Expedition, in which Sir Ernest Shackleton served as Director of Naval Transport, he cut the explorer's hair as he sat on a box in the snow.

Several people who have lost relatives in the Pacific have written to beseech Sir Ernest Shackleton to look out for island castaways.

MRS. HAWKER.

HOW SHE HEARD OF HER HUSBAND'S DEATH.

Widespread expressions of regret at the death of Mr. Harry Hawker, the famous Atlantic aviator, who was killed while flying over Burnt Oak, near Hendon, were received by Mrs. Hawker at her home at Hook, near Surbiton (Surrey).

A message from Major-General Sir Frederick Sykes, Controller-General of Civil Aviation, said: "You have my deep sympathy in the great loss of your gallant husband, who attempted and achieved so much for aviation."

When the news of the accident was conveyed to Mrs. Hawker by Mr. Fordam, her husband's mechanic, she was in the garden and, without waiting to put a wrap over her light dress, motored off to the spot where Mr. Hawker was killed. During the journey, Mr. Fordam, who had at first merely told her that Mr. Hawker had met with an accident, said, "Be calm, Mrs. Hawker, but prepare for the worst; the accident was very serious." "Is he dead?" she asked, and was then told the sad story.

TRAGEDY OF LORD KITCHENER.

DISCLOSURES IN LORD ESHER'S NEW BOOK.

Lord Escher's book *The Tragedy of Lord Kitchener*, published by John Murray, does not refer to the death of Lord Kitchener, but the purpose of the work is to demonstrate his failure in the administration of the War Office during the years 1914 to 1916, and Lord Escher's realization of this terrible fact.

The author points out that Lord Kitchener's temperament was "massive," inarticulate, shy, emotional. He was unable to cope with the lawyers and dialecticians of the Government. Some of his Cabinet colleagues feared and disliked him, and attempted to render his position so uncomfortable as to force him to resign.

An instance of this was the notorious "Shell controversy" in 1915, about which Lord Kitchener wrote: "I am deeply sick of this system of intrigue. If I can get an excuse I shall take it and get out."

Referring to the sigh of relief which went up from the whole country when Kitchener was appointed Minister of War, Lord Escher says: "Lord Kitchener was no longer the 'K. of K.' of the Sudan and South Africa, and Kitchener only was yet aware of the fact."

Lord Escher's book is based upon his diary kept during wartime, which he proposes to deposit in the British Museum sealed up for 60 years.

FANCY NAMES.

POLICE-COURT SUBTERFUGES TO EVADE PUBLICITY.

The singularly appropriate name of a man fined for drunkenness in a London police court led the magistrate to ask whether it was his real name. It was. But the "accommodation" names used by persons dealt with summarily are one of the difficulties which confront London magistrates. "It is always possible," writes a barrister, "to detain a prisoner until his right name and address are forthcoming; and of course in the case of major offences where there is a reward the identity is always established."

"But in the case of, say, an elderly man, obviously from the country, brought into the station for being 'drunk and disorderly,' if he chooses to stay meekly in the cells and pay a fine next day, or even do seven days—all under an assumed name—there are difficulties in the way of preventing him."

And in any case, by giving a name and address which cannot be verified he often runs the risk of being put back for inquiry—when the prospects of publicity are increased tenfold. So, although there are no doubt scores of elderly and respectable men living in distant towns who have made not altogether blameless appearances at Great Marlborough-street or Bow-street, and no one any the wiser, yet I would not advise any who find themselves in that predicament to follow their example."

A GOOD SUGGESTION.

TRY Chamberlain's Tablets when bilious or constipated. You are certain to be much pleased with them. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

ODDS AND ENDS.

MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.

Earth Pressure.

The continents stand at an average height of about 15,000 feet above the ocean bottom, and their weight, causing a pressure of 15,000 to 20,000 pounds per square inch on their bases, is supposed to be causing a slow creeping of the land into the sea against the 5,000 pounds of pressure by the water at the bottom. The rocks of mines are observed to creep under less pressure. In recent experiments, two hemispheres of rock were fitted together by plane surfaces and a cavity was ground in one or a steel washer was laid on it, and the hemispheres were then forced together by hydraulic pressure continued for months at room temperature. It was demonstrated that a pressure of 50,000 pounds per square inch will close even small cavities in granite, basalt, obsidian or limestone.

Sterling Apples In Gas.

In storing apples there is a very interesting alternative to cold storage, known as "Gas Storage." The apples are placed in an air tight chamber filled with the gas produced by the "respiration" of the apples themselves. An electrical instrument is used to determine whether at any time the proportion of carbon dioxide in this gas becomes excessive, and when that condition occurs air is admitted to dilute the gas. The air is kept in slow circulation by its own temperature variations and means are taken to remove excess of moisture. It is stated that this system doubles the time during which apples can be kept in good condition, and that the cost of working is very much below that of any kind of cold storage. The merits of the system are being closely studied by the British Investigation Board.

Congress Time-Clocks.

Americans are chuckling over the proposed bill introduced by Mr. John Kissel in the House of Representatives, which, if passed into law, will require each Congressman to register on a time-clock his arrival and departure, so that his salary will be regulated according to the frequency or infrequency of his visits. The bill would make it possible for a regular and faithful attendant to duty to receive a salary of about \$4,000 a year, instead of the present \$22,000, but whenever a Congressman was absent without good cause there would be deductions ranging from \$80 to \$20 a day. Mr. Kissel declares that there is entirely too much "loafing on the job" by Congressmen, with the result that the daily attendance averages about 150, and most of these are present because they have areas to grind. He declared that if he had his own way he would sack every member who failed to answer a dozen roll-calls.

Paris Landmarks Go in.

Visitors to Paris, who are increasing daily in numbers, will soon note the disappearance of two famous landmarks of a widely different character. With an eye to the probability of the usual flooding of the Seine next winter, the authorities have decided to replace the old bridge of La Tourneville by a new bridge with one arch, in order that the river may flow more freely through the city. For some time past it has been suggested that other bridges should be altered with the same object. Massively built in the reign of Louis XIV., the piles of La Tourneville, for a long time resisted all attempts to pull them down, but the work has been partly accomplished by means of dynamite. In the other case the great wheel which faces the Trocadero on the other side of the river, sometimes known as the "Spider's Web" is at length being gradually pulled down. The first attempt at this difficult operation, which was thought to be fraught with great danger owing to the huge size of the wheel, was abandoned as hopeless. The disappearance of the great wheel, which in its dilapidated condition was fast becoming an eyesore, will be less regretted than that of one of the oldest Paris bridges.

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

FRESH AUSTRALIAN BUTTER

"Daisy" Brand \$1.45 per lb.
"Dairy Maid" 1.35 "

CHEESE

Gouda (Full Cream) \$1.25 per lb.
Australian Cheddar 1.00 "
Picnic (own make)50 a Jar.
Goulommier (own make) 40 per pat.

FISH

Fillets \$.80 per lb.
Haddock70 "
Kippers60 "
Red Herrings30 "

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE Co., Ltd.

£100 LUNCHEON.

DIFFERENT RESTAURANT FOR EACH COURSE.

An American millionaire, desiring to visit the most exclusive restaurants of Paris, and having only one day at his disposal, spent £100 on his luncheon.

He was accompanied by his wife and a friend who knows the habits of Paris thoroughly. The party decided to have only one course at each restaurant.

Beginning with cocktails at a famous cafe on the boulevards, they drove up to Montmartre for *hors d'œuvre*, to a restaurant which makes a boast of serving eighty varieties daily.

Then they came down to the neighbourhood of the Opera for fish, which consisted of filled sole with mushrooms.

Next they went to another famous house near the Madeleine for a veal entrée, and to an open-air restaurant in the Champs Elysees for a chicken specialty.

Vegetables—a plain dish of onions, exquisitely cooked—were obtained at a small restaurant on the left bank of the river.

Not far from Concorde the party had chicory salad, and near the Etoile they ordered fruit—expensive fresh pineapple.

Again entering their car, they drove to a most fashionable establishment in the Bois de Boulogne, where they had coffee, liqueurs, and cigars.

"CHU CHIN CHOW."

FAREWELL SCENES AT HIS MAJESTY'S.

At 11.45 one night in last week the black curtain with the Chinese hieroglyphic fell for the last time on "Chu Chin Chow" (which has been played 2,238 times) at His Majesty's Theatre, London. Men cheered and shouted themselves hoarse, women cried and cheered, and as the theatre emptied the company behind the curtain were still cheering. And many of them were crying bitterly.

The performance finished soon after eleven. Then the curtain went up again on the Rose Garden scene, and Mr. Asche came on alone, as "Chu Chin Chow," very much alive again. He made a happy farewell speech.

Dame Clara Butt, standing in a box, sang two verses of the National Anthem, and the audience joined in the third verse.

A reporter sat next to Miss Marianne Caldwell, who though engaged to appear as Boston in "Chu Chin Chow" has never played at a single performance. All these years, however, she has received her salary regularly. The last time she saw the play was on the first night—August 31, 1916. The part for which she was engaged was changed before the run began.

"What do you think of it?" I asked. "It seems as if I saw it only the other day," she said. "I can't say that I have enjoyed doing nothing all these years; I love my work too much."

Miss Caldwell, who is an accomplished actress, was originally engaged for an "infectious" laugh.

LOVE TRAGEDY.

SUICIDE AFTER FUTILE ELOPEMENT.

SCHOOLGIRL SENT TO ASYLUM.

A story recalling one of the violent tragedies of the Middle Ages is reported from Florence.

A youth named Urbano da Barberino, living with his grandfather, the Marchese Ali-Maccari, the Spanish Consul, fell very much in love with a high-school girl called Norina Bucciantini, says the *Stampa*. The relatives of da Barberino opposed the engagement of the young couple, despite his repeated pleas. The two thereupon decided to elope and thus force his family to consent. They slipped one afternoon from their houses and motored to Siena.

Da Barberino's mother met the lovers next day, however, driving back into Florence. She stopped the car on the banks of the Arno and made her son get out. It appeared that upon arriving at Siena the pair of youthful fugitives realised they had no money and were obliged to return.

For a few days the youth was content to continue his studies at the university, confident that finally his family would yield. He sat for his leaving examination, and with such success in the oral portion that he hurried to Norina's house to tell her this good news.

He was coldly informed, on his arrival, that the eccentricity of the girl's elopement had decided her relatives to place her in the asylum of San Salvi, to be reported upon by doctors.

A few days later young da Barberino walked some miles out of Florence and shot himself by the roadside.

SINGAPORE DOCKYARDS.

ITEMS IN AUSTRALIA'S DEFENCE POLICY.

Senator Brigadier-General Emott, lecturing at Melbourne on August 1 on the defence policy of Australia, expressed the opinion that the only possibility of Australia being involved in war was in defence of the "White Australia" policy. The first item of the defence policy should be a provision of adequate dockyards in the vicinity of Singapore, and the second should be the provision of adequate naval bases in Australia.

He was assured that if an invading force obtained a footing in Australia it would take Great Britain at least two years of preparation before being in a position to assist in turning out the invader, because of the great distance from Australia of any base from which powerful British warships could operate. He was informed that there was sufficient ammunition in Australia to last three hours, if used on the same scale as in the recent war. Australia had no heavy artillery, and would be absolutely helpless to resist invasion. The Government should encourage manufacturers to establish key industries and install machinery which could be adapted to military purposes, in preference to spending money on the training of troops.

BRINGING UP FATHER.

